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1. [] By way of follow-up on my meeting with [] yesterday, I dropped by the office of Senator Homer Capehart and Senator Vance Hartke to discuss our proposed course of action with the Evansville, Indiana, group. I am to see Senator Capehart on this and another matter on Monday. I hope to talk with Mr. Alice Braide, Administrative Assistant to Senator Vance Hartke, on this subject on Monday also. I received the impression, in preliminary discussions, that this group, especially [] are very close to both of these Senators.

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1. [] Stanley Pleasant, General Counsel of USIA, called to say that in connection with the postal rate bill (H.R. 7927) he had received a call from the Bureau of the Budget concerning USIA's appearance before Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee on this bill. The Bureau has indicated to Pleasant that it desires to review USIA's proposed testimony next Monday afternoon. Pleasant said he realized that the Agency had stated its position not to appear before congressional committees on this subject. However, he asked if there was any of the material which we had prepared on this subject which USIA might use in its presentation. He will be preparing Edward R. Murrow's testimony over the weekend. I advised him that while I thought we could make some statistics available on extent of Communist material received in the U.S., I felt we would have some difficulty in giving him any material which could be used in the hearings concerning material going into the Soviet Union. We are to send him whatever material we have on this Monday morning. Pleasant raised the question as to

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